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SUBJ: WHITE REACTION TO MOZAMBIQUE PRESIDENT MACHEL'S
NATIONALIZATION SPEECH

1. AS EXPECTED, WHITE EXODUS FROM MOZAMBIQUE HAS INCREASED
DRAMATICALLY IN LAST SEVERAL DAYS IN WAKE OF MACHEL'S
NATIONALIZATION SPEECH. CHECK WITH LOCAL AIRLINES OFFICES
REVEALZD THAT WORKLOAD WAS "UP 50 PERCENT," AND LOCAL TAP
FLIGHTS ARE NOW BOOKED SOLID TO AUGUST 13.

2. WHITES WHO WERE GIVEN 90 DAYS TO DECIDE ON PORTUGUESE OR
MOZAMBICAN CITIZENSHIP ARE LINING UP AT THE PORTUGUESE CONSULATE
IN THE EARLY EVENING HOURS TO GET A NUMBER THE NEXT DAY.

3. WHITES VERY UPSET WITH MACHEL'S SPEECH, ESPECIALLY THE
NATIONALIZATION OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND SCHOOLS. THEY EXPECT
THINGS WILL GET WORSE BEFORE THEY GET BETTER. THEY STATE
SYNICALY THEY ARE "LIVING FROM SPEECH TO SPEECH."

4. WHITES AFFECTED INCLUDE MANY WHO HAD EARLIER GREETED
INDEPENDENCE (AND FRELIMO) WITH ENTHUSIASM, AS WELL AS THOSE
WHO HAD ADOPTED A "WAIT AND SEE" ATTITUDE.

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